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SUBJECT: TFRWOL: SITUATION REPORT 30 AS 1530 EDT,

- 04/11/94, NO. 30

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1. (C) WE CONTACTED SEVERAL EAST AFRICAN GOVERNMENTS
TO SEEK PERMISSION FOR U.S. ASSETS IN BUJUMBURA TO

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LAND. THE MARINES ARE NOW PLANNING TO GO TO MOMBASA DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS. OVERFLIGHT AND LANDING CLEARANCES HAVE BEEN REQUESTED.
(EMBASSY KAMPALA/USEUCOM/TFRW01 TELCONS)

2. (C) UN USYG FOR PEACEKEEPING MICHAEL BARNETT SAID THAT THE 48-HOUR TRUCE IS NOW EXPECTED TO TAKE EFFECT AT 6:00 AM KIGALI TIME ON APRIL 12 (12 MIDNIGHT EDT). THE RPF CONTINUES TO INSIST THAT A CEASEFIRE APPLY ONLY TO KIGALI WHILE THE RWANDAN ARMY IS SEEKING A NATIONWIDE CEASEFIRE. (USUN/TFRW01 TELCONS)

3. (LOU) AMERICANS WHO DEPARTED RWANDA IN OUR OFFICIAL CONVOYS ARE SAFELY OUT OF THE COUNTRY. OTHERS LEFT ON OTHER EVACUATION FLIGHTS. A NUMBER OF AMERICANS HAVE CHOSEN TO REMAIN IN RWANDA FOR THE TIME BEING; AT LEAST EIGHT EMPLOYED BY THE ICRC AND UNAMIR REMAIN.

4. (C) UNAMIR HAS 5,000 RWANDANS UNDER ITS PROTECTION. ACCORDING TO USUN, THE BELGIANS ARE CONSIDERING WITHDRAWING FROM UNAMIR. PRESS REPORTS
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INDICATE THAT BELGIAN/UNAMIR TROOPS HAVE NOW BEEN AUTHORIZED TO HELP IN EVACUATING AND ASSEMBLING PEOPLE.

5. (U) THREE MORE BELGIAN CIVILIANS AND ONE FRENCH PRIEST ARE REPORTED DEAD IN THE CONTINUING FIGHTING. THIS IS IN ADDITION TO THE FRENCH CREW OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PLANE, THE THREE BELGIANS KILLED IN GISENYI SHORTLY AFTER THE PLANE WAS SHOT DOWN, AND THE 12 BELGIAN SOLDIERS WHO WERE KILLED AT THE TIME OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S DEATH. (BRUSSELS/TFRW01 TELCON)

6. (C) THE 11 GERMAN DEUTSCHE WELLE TECHNICIANS REMAIN TRAPPED AT MT. KININYA. BONN HAS BEEN NOTIFIED THAT UNAMIR HAS HELICOPTERS AND SHOULD BE CONTACTED ABOUT THE EXTRACTION OF THESE GERMANS.

7. (C) RWANDAN FOREIGN MINISTER GASANA, WHO IS IN DAR ES SALAAM, REQUESTED POLITICAL ASYLUM IN THE U.S. WE ENCOURAGED HIM TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM THE GOT.
(DAR ES SALAAM/TFRW01 TELCON)

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